

"There is no comparison between that which is lost by not succeeding and that which is lost by not trying."

-Francis Bacon

## The LE-HI-HO

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### JULY MEETING

The LE-HI-HO will meet on Sunday, July 26 at 2:00 P.M. in the Fire-place Room of the Unitarian Church of the Lehigh Valley, 701 Lechaweki Avenue (Fountain Hill), Bethlehem, Pa. The church is located two blocks south of 1500 Broadway (route 43).

### OF THINGS PASSED

Seventeen persons attended the June 29th meeting of LE-HI-HO at the Unitarian Church in Bethlehem. Al Ravert presided.

Major decisions made were that a telephone should be installed in the name of LE-HI-HO and placed in our newly established office, and that Ron be given a specified sum of money to apply to the purchase of a suitable typewriter for the organization. Subsequent investigation has shown the cost of a telephone to be greater than expected. It is thought, however, to be too important a matter to forego the decision.

Ron announced that notice of future meetings of LE-HI-HO will be sent to the "Community Bulletin Boards" of at least six radio stations, including WARM in Scranton. He also discussed pending legislation on income tax which discriminates by unequal tax on single person, hence, also most gay persons.

A brief on the Dallas Sodomy Case was available for examination.

Gay is Good buttons were available for sale at a quarter apiece. "Gay is Good" is the official slogan of the North American Council of Homophile Organizations (NACHO).

Current membership of LE-HI-HO is 47 persons.

### XYZ ADDRESS CORRECTION

We would like to apologize to our readers and the XYZ Club for any inconvenience caused by our printing the XYZ address as P.O. Box 156. The correct address is P.O. Box 843, Doylestown, Pa. 18901. (RS)

### TEXAS CASE

A letter received from Attorney Henry J. Mc Cluskey, Jr. says, "I have received your contribution to the Buchanan, Strickland appeal, and I want to thank you personally for your generosity. Never before has a case of this character been fought with the support that I have been receiving." He goes on to say, "I pray that your faith in this cause is justified." (RS)

### THE PARTY

Plans and preparations for the party on August 15th are moving rapidly ahead. We remind you and urge you to apply now for tickets. Not only is the August 1st deadline near, but reservations are pouring in and there is talk of limiting the number of tickets sold.

The cast of the entertainment is working very hard, with frequent and grueling rehearsals.

It promises to be a bigger and better than ever bash!!!

#### CHRISTOPHER STREET LIBERATION DAY

New York, June 29. A beautiful thing happened; It was called Christopher Street Liberation Day. Literally thousands of gay people marched from Sheridan Square right up the Avenue of the America's to the Sheep Meadows in Central Park. Open and free, joyous and shouting, no one in that time and that place was afraid of being Gay. They had come to tell the world.

Thousands milled around in Sheridan Square, Natives, Tourists, reporters, marchers watched each other, talked to each other, photographed each other. The atmosphere was festive, restive, and gay. Somewhere a reporter talked to people, someone with a recorder made an official record of the day, the treasurer walked about collecting donations, marshals lined people up, someone handed out signs, Suddenly-

It was two o'clock and the March began, a raucous, fun-filled march. Squeezed into a single traffic lane, the line of marchers stretched twelve city blocks. Spontaneous cheers broke out time and time again. "G-A-Y P-O-W-E-R NOW" rang for blocks up the Avenue. "OUT OF THE CLOSETS AND INTO THE STREETS" echoed and reechoed from tall buildings. "Hey, Hey, whaddya say, try it once the other way". "I am Gay, All The Way". "Say It Loud: Gay and Proud". At one corner, a very old woman applauded. Men in passing cars made signs of peace and victory. Many joined from the sidelines.

All along the route, thousands of people turned from their Sunday occupations to watch the line go by. Some just watched, some laughed, a few had their beads read for them. In one place a man held a sign proclaiming Sin-Sodom and Gomorrah. At an intersection a group of young men clustered on a car held posters about "Turn to Christ - Away from the sin of homosexuality." But mostly people simply watched.

Everyone marched; The Mattachine of New York and Washington, Gay Liberation Fronts from half a dozen cities and campuses, Gay Alliance, Homosexuals Intransigent, HAL, Daughters of Bilitis, Student Homophile Leagues, six people from Harrisburg who have no group, and, of course LE-HI-HO and its cohort, GLF of Kutztown State College. No one knows all the names.

LE-HI-HO was there all right. Six people represented us and the Kutztown group. Our signs read, "Homosexual is not a four letter word-LE-HI-HO", and Gay Lib-Kutztown State College. We were proud to be there.

Finally the end of the march was reached nearly 60 blocks from the beginning. As we came to the little rise, each group turned to applaud the marchers following. Thousands came streaming across the meadows after us. Many of us were moved to tears.

After the march, all we could do was sit quietly and talk about a great occasion.

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In reply to the many who asked-the Christopher Street Demonstration was completely non-violent. What opposition there was took the form of a few grim, quiet placards. Heckling took the form of bead-reading by the marchers rather than the spectators. Police guarded and accompanied the line of march.

But the impression made was profound. Thousands upon thousands saw the march. Millions heard or read of it. It was front-page news in the New York Times the next day. The Bethlehem Globe-Times had a few lines about it. The Morning Call had a bit about a similar march in Provincetown. We accomplished a lot that day.

FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Everyone should have the information about the Senate Bill 782. I hope you are writing your letters and sending them off to Washington. Anyone who has not received this flyer, write to us and we will mail you one.

The Bill says nothing about Homosexuality, but, if passed, could be of enormous help to homosexuals. It will be necessary to get it out of committee and great pressure is needed to accomplish this because the administration is opposed to the legislation.

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We are going to send Questionnaires to the Candidates. Anyone with a point they would like to have included in the questionnaire to be answered by the candidates to help our readers make an intelligent choice in the November election, mail them to LE-HI-HO for the committee's consideration.

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A copy of GAY SCENE, which is a continuation of GAY WAYS, was sent to us by Mr. Bruce King of New York City. He would like our members and friends to become better acquainted with his new paper which will be published every month. A copy will be available at our next meeting for you to examine. More information may be obtained by writing to Scene, Inc, P.O. Box 247, Grand Central Station, New York, N.Y. 10017.

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The ADVOCATE reports that up to press time of the July 8-21 issue, a total of \$1,952.50 has been contributed toward the costs of the Buchanan-Strickland cross-appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Anyone still wishing to contribute should make his check out to Henry J. McCluskey and mail to the ADVOCATE, Box 74695, Los Angeles, Calif. 90004.

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DOUBLE EXPOSURE is Philadelphia's first and only Gay newspaper, and is published biweekly. They are located at 1511 Pine Street, and the Zip Code is 19103.

They seek correspondents throughout the United States, columnists with things to say to the American Gay community, news and press releases from homophile organizations concerning their programs and activities, as well as distributors who might be interested in selling DOUBLE EXPOSURE in their areas.

Correspondents should submit news of their entire community, and should therefore have some free time for this work. Columnists need not appear in each issue, however they must receive three different columns in advance in order to better evaluate the nature of the column.

Keith Clark is the Publisher.

THE EDITOR'S DESK

We very much wish to thank the people who troubled to respond to the readers survey. Twenty responses were received-nearly one-fifth of the mailing list. Many returns were extra thoughtful, listing excellent suggestions and criticisms. The one that gave us the most pause, however, was the one which left all the spaces blank but wrote on the back, "Do not send any more letters to this address." To whom? And we won't.

The survey overwhelmingly illustrated the reader's interest in LE-HI-HO and the Homophile movement as a whole. Also, they are interested in our members and friends as people. Clearly they want to know each other better. This probably is one of the least mentioned and most sought after goals in LE-HI-HO, the company of friends.

Most respondents wished to see the newsletter expanded and improved. All but one wished a similar survey on the goals and activities of LE-HI-HO.

Frankly, we need help. Now the newsletter is written by Ron, Warren, Joe, and reprints from the ADVOCATE. We need someone to replace the ADVOCATE. Currently they are a primary news source for the all-important Buchanan Case. After that-no reprints.

We invite letters to the Editor. To be at all we need to know the thinking of the membership. Far too many ideas get lost in Ron's files because one man can do only so much. Share with the group. No last names are printed here without the known permission of the persons so named.

Warren Ritter wrote with a list of Gay bars in Atlantic City "for those of our members or newsletter subscribers who are going there this summer."

M & M Bar, South Westminster Ave.-dancing with kaleidoscope and strobe lighting-famous for their bloody marys. (Warren's favorite)

Le Chateau, South New York Avenue-featuring the Maverick Masqueraders on weekend nights.

Fort Pitt Bar, New York Avenue near the Boardwalk-featuring the Fantastic Fakers on weekend nights.

Rendezvous, New York Ave.

Saratoga, New York Ave.

Louise's, Westminster Ave. near the M & M.

Chez Paree, New York Ave. near the Boardwalk-dancing.

Thank you, Warren.

#### MOTHER MINNIE

Dear Mother Minnie:

Do you prefer an aggressive lover to a passive lover?

John C.

Dear John C.

I dig all lovers, and wouldn't want any man to passive me by.

MM

Dear Mother Minnie:

Is there any way to know if a number is a natural blonde without examining their private anatomy.

Jerry S.

Dear Jerry S.

You could ask - but you wouldn't enjoy it as much.

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Mother Minnie's advise to the lovelorn is a regular feature of this newsletter. If you have any problems, write to LE-HI-HO, Dept 2-A.

#### BUCHANAN OUT ON BAIL; THREATS FROM JAILER FORCE USE OF FUNDS

Alvin Leon Buchanan was released from the Dallas County Jail June 15 on posting \$5,000 bond by his attorney.

Atty. Henry McCluskey frankly acknowledged that he had used money contributed for the Supreme Court appeal in Buchanan's case to pay the \$750 bond fee, leaving the appeal fund "dangerously short."

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"I felt I really had no choice," said McCluskey. He said publicity on Buchanan's case had resulted "in people harassing the sheriff's office," and a flood of mail and phone calls to the county jail.

Chief Jailer E. L. Holman "threatened Alvin by telling him he was going to beat him up, or put him in the hole, which is a sort of solitary jail within a jail. You go in there completely nude and with just a little hole in the middle of the floor for sanitary purposes. You get bread and water for three days, and then you get a meal, and then another three days of bread and water," McCluskey said.

He said Judge Ed Gossett had raised no objections to the posting of the bond.

Now that he's out of jail, Buchanan "needs help desperately," McCluskey said. "He doesn't have a job; his name is notorious here in Dallas, so it's going to be awfully hard to get one.

"He's staying at the YMCA, which costs \$4 a day, so even a \$5 contribution would help him live another day. Then maybe eventually he'll get back on his feet."

He suggested that in the future, those who contribute could specify whether they want to help Buchanan directly of just pay into the appeal fund, "and I'll keep the money separate."

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#### BUCHANAN OVERWHELMED BY READERS' GENEROSITY

The following letter from Alvin Buchanan arrived June 3, when he was still in Dallas County Jail and soon after his attorney, Henry McCluskey, received the first batch of contributions from ADVOCATE readers toward the Buchanan-Strickland appeal fund. Buchanan has since been released from jail on an appeal bond.

Dear Mr. Michaels:

My attorney has informed me of the fact that your newspaper has recently mailed to him cash, checks, and money orders which total in excess of \$1,100.

I am overwhelmed. Never in my life could I have expected such a response.

Surely your readers are aware of the tremendous task which is before us. They realize that the expenses of this case will be justified if the Supreme Court removes the stigma of second-class citizenship for homosexuals everywhere.

I had agreed with my attorney that he might use the \$174 that had been previously contributed to be used as bond money in order that he might pay the printing fee for the jurisdictional statement. As a result, I am still in jail.

I was informed that the ADVOCATE would be sending me issues of the newspaper from time to time. However, I have not yet received any. It could very well be that the jailers here are keeping them from me.

I have received several clippings from the ADVOCATE from other readers, so I am aware of what the ADVOCATE stands for and what it is accomplishing. I received one of these clippings, which contains my last letter to the ADVOCATE, and I made the mistake of showing it to some of the other prisoners. I was then beaten up for having written to you. As a possible result of the beating, I have been having serious stomach trouble. It is impossible to see a doctor here.

I have been unable to write the Metropolitan Community Church, as they asked, because that mail cannot be sent from jail because the deputies feel that it is not business correspondence.

Alvin L. Buchanan

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